

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

At the first line of the section entitled "Related Applications" (page 2, line 8 of the present application), please add the sentence: -- This application is a divisional of U.S. Patent

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**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 1-26 without prejudice. ✓

Please amend claims 27, 31, 34, 36 and 38 as follows:

a2 127. (amended) A method of manufacturing recloseable packages, said method comprising:

providing a first wall panel opposing a second wall panel;

positioning a zipper between said first and second wall panels, said zipper including a first track with a first profile and a second track with a second profile, said first and second profiles being releasably engageable to each other, and a slider slidably mounted to said zipper for movement between a closed position and an open position, said first and second profiles being engaged to each other while said slider is in said closed position, said first and second profiles being disengaged from each other in response to movement of said slider from said closed position to said open position;

adhering said first profile of said zipper to said first wall panel;

forming first and second spaced side seals in said [web] first and second wall panels to define first and second sidewalls of said package;

adhering said second profile of said zipper to said second wall panel; and

cutting [said web along] said side seals to separate adjacent packages.

a3 531. (amended) The method of claim 127 further including a step of filling said package with a product [through a mouth of said web after forming said first and second side seals].